Setting up of Heavy Industries with World Bank/International Organisations Aid in Gujarat

2908. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any programme for setting up a heavy industry in Public Sector or Private Sector with the help of World Bank or some other International Organisation in State of Gujarat;

(b) if so, the budget allocated and the time by which it is likely to be started; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

Central Financial Assistance sought by State Government

2909. SHRI G. PRATHAPA REDDY: Will
the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state.

(a) the total additional Central financial assistance sought by various State Governments, with special reference to Government of Andhra Pradesh;

(b) the details of the funds actually allocated by the Central Government during the above period;

(c) the reasons for not allocating the full assistance sought by the States;

(d) whether the additional assistance sought during the current financial year has since been released; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (e)The annual plans of States are finalised by the Planning Commission to be funded by States' own resources and Centrally allocated resources like market borrowings, negotiated loans and Central assistance. The annual plans are fully funded. The central plan assistance consists of normal Central assistance, additional Central assistance for externally aided projects. Central assistance for Centrally sponsored schemes transferred to States and special Central assistance for Area Programmes. The States are given funds under above items as per their entitlement/allocation. The States do approach the Central Government for additional assistance due to special circumstances. The Central Government, keeping in view its resource constraints and financial implecations, provide additional assistance in very special cases. Based on the information available in the Ministry of Finance, a Statement showing details of requests received from the State Governments during the current financial year is given in the enclosed Statement. *(See* below) Since Annual Plans for 1996-97 for States are being finalised, a view on the requests of individual States would be taken after the Annual Plans of all States are finalised. The requests seeking preponed releases of future entitlements, memorandum seeking Central assistance in the wake of natural calamities and deferment of repayment obligations/ways and means advance are not included in above Statement.

Statement

Additional Central Financial Assistance sought by State Governments and Amount Provided by the Ministry of Finance During 1996-97.

(Rs. in crores)

SI. No.	States	Amount	Remarks
1	2	3	4
1996-97			
1.	Andhra Pradesh		
	(i)	636	AC A of Rs. 636 crores as additional Plan Support for annual Plan 1995-96.